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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
7 AT TACOMA

8 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

9 Plaintiff,

10 v.

11 ROBERT DUANE KNOWLES,

12 Defendant.

CASE NO. CR14-5395BHS

ORDER

13 This matter comes before the Court on the Defendant's Unopposed Motion to Continue
14 Pretrial Motions Deadline and Trial Date. The Court, having considered the unopposed motion
15 and the Defendant's speedy trial waiver, makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of
16 law:

17 1. Defense counsel needs additional time to review and assess voluminous discovery
18 and to research relevant issues and defenses applicable in this case. Additionally, defense
19 counsel has been in trial in unrelated matters during the fall of 2014, and anticipates two more
20 unrelated jury trials in January 2015, which make it reasonable to request additional time to
21 prepare for trial in this matter.

22 2. The defense needs additional time to explore all relevant issues and defenses
applicable to the case, which would make it unreasonable to expect adequate preparation for

1 pretrial proceedings or for trial itself within the time limits established by the Speedy Trial Act
2 and currently set for this case. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(ii).

3 3. Taking into account the exercise of due diligence, a continuance is necessary to allow
4 the defendant the reasonable time for effective preparation his defense, to explore resolution of
5 this case before trial and to ensure continuity of defense counsel. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(B)(iv).

6 4. Proceeding to trial absent adequate time for the defense to prepare would result in a
7 miscarriage of justice. 18 U.S.C. §3161(h)(7)(B)(i).

8 5. The ends of justice served by granting this continuance outweigh the best interests of
9 the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A) and (B).

10 6. Defendant waived speedy trial through April 30, 2015.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

12 That the trial date is continued from February 10, 2015, to April 7, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.;
13 Pretrial Conference is set for March 30, 2015, at 2:30 p.m.; pretrial motions are due by March 3,
14 2015. The resulting period of delay from December 26, 2014, to April 7, 2015, is hereby
15 excluded for speedy trial purposes under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A) and (B)

16 Dated this 31st day of December, 2014.

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19 BENJAMIN H. SETTLE
20 United States District Judge
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